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In re Application of:)
Alexander Serkh and Andrzej Dec)

Examiner: Charles, Marcus.

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Docket No.: T02-061A)

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AF AMENDMENT under 37 CFR 1.116

This paper is presented in response to the Office Action of October 20, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-13 in the above-identified Application. This amendment is presented under the auspices of 37 CFR 1.116 is intended to place this application in condition for allowance or at least in better form for appeal. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests that this amendment be entered by the Examiner. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.